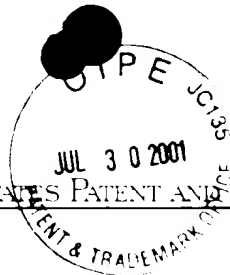




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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$40
 - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 460.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PATENT


Docket No.: FUT5024.05A

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Applicant: GREGORY J. PETERSON; GARY M. FLINT
Serial No.: 09/849,508
Filed: MAY 4, 2001
For: FIRESTARTER MATERIAL AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
Group:
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SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed May 25, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed, please find the following documents which are incorporated by reference herein:

1. Check in the amount of \$460.00 (\$395 filing fees and \$65 surcharge for the fees due as a small entity);



The amount due for the filing fees and surcharge has been computed as follows:

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | | |
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| | Number filed | | Number Extra | | Rate | | Basic Fee |
| Total | | | | | | | \$ 710.00 |
| Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c) | 20 | - 20 | = | 0 | X | \$18.00 | = |
| Independent | | | | | | | |
| Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | 4 | - 3 | = | 1 | X | \$80.00 | = 80.00 |
| Multiple dependent claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d)) | | | | | + | \$270.00 | = |

Filing Fee Calculation \$ 790.00

Surcharge \$ 130.00

TOTAL FILING FEE \$ 920.00

Small Entity Statement(s)

X Applicant qualifies as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$ 460.00

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TOTAL FILING FEES DUE \$ 460.00

 Assignment recording fee \$

 Petition fee \$

TOTAL FEES DUE \$ 460.00

Please charge any additional fees due to deposit account no. 07-1137.

Having now complied with all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.53, the Applicants respectfully request that this application be placed upon the files for examination.

Dated

7/25/01

Respectfully submitted,

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